

# **Public Notice**

United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)  
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## **Notice of Proposed Reissuance of a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit No. WA-000190-2 for**

**U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service  
Leavenworth National Fish Hatchery**

**To Discharge to Waters of the United States,**

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1. Summary

On June 29, 2006, EPA proposed to reissue an NPDES permit which authorizes discharge of wastewater from the Leavenworth National Fish Hatchery, an existing facility that has been in operation since 1941. The previous permit had been issued in 1974. This draft permit updates that permit, incorporating requirements from Ecology's §401 certification, EPA-approved total maximum daily loads, revised water quality standards, and EPA's issuance of an NPDES general permit for federal and tribal aquaculture facilities in Washington State. This permit establishes effluent limitations, best management practices, monitoring and reporting requirements that are protective of the quality of the receiving waters (Icicle Creek).

2. Tentative Determination

The Region 10 Office of EPA has tentatively determined to issue the permit.

3. State Certification

The Washington Department of Ecology (Ecology) provided water quality certification for this permit under the provisions of Section 401 of the Clean

Water Act on January 7, 2010. Provisions of that certification have been incorporated into this revision of the draft permit.

4. Public Comments

Persons wishing to comment on the tentative determinations contained in the draft permit may do so in writing to the above address to the attention of the Director, Office of Water and Watersheds or by e-mail to [wilson.sharon@epa.gov](mailto:wilson.sharon@epa.gov) within 45 days of the date of this public notice. All comments should include the name, address, telephone number, and e-mail address, if applicable, of the commenter and a concise statement of the exact basis of any comment and the relevant facts upon which it is based. Comments must be received within the 45 day period to be considered in the formulation of final determinations regarding the application.

5. Document Availability

Copies of the proposed permit and fact sheet may be found at the following website: <http://yosemite.epa.gov/R10/water.nsf/NPDES+Permits/Permits+Homepage>. The proposed permit and fact sheet may also be inspected at the EPA Region 10 offices at 1200 Sixth Avenue, Seattle, Washington, between 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except federal holidays. Copies and other information may be requested by writing to the EPA at the above address to the attention of the NPDES Permits Unit; by calling Audrey Washington at 1-800-424-4372 (within Alaska, Idaho, Oregon & Washington) or (206) 553-0523; or by e-mail at [washington.audrey@epa.gov](mailto:washington.audrey@epa.gov).

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6. Public Hearing

Written comments receive as much consideration as oral comments at a public hearing. Persons wishing to request a public hearing should submit their written request by January 21, 2011, stating the nature of the issues to be raised as well as the requester's name, address and telephone number. All written comments and requests should be submitted to EPA at the above address to the attention of the Director, Office of Water and Watersheds or by e-mail to [Wilson.sharon@epa.gov](mailto:Wilson.sharon@epa.gov). If a public hearing is scheduled, notice will be published in the newspaper, will be posted on the Region 10 web site, and will be e-mailed to all interested persons receiving notice of availability of the draft permit.